

2011 - 2012 Seattle City Council Green Sheet**Ready for Notebook**

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Budget Action Title: Do not pass C. B. 117025: Parking scofflaw program (Transportation, Municipal Court, Police, General Subfund revenue)

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Council Bill or Resolution: C. B. 117025 (tab #37 in gray notebook)

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	No										
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Budget Action description:

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This ordinance would create a new booting program for vehicles in parking scofflaw status.

As proposed, the ordinance would define parking scofflaws as vehicle owners with four or more outstanding parking infractions. This threshold is too low. Parking scofflaws should instead be defined as vehicle owners with six or more outstanding infractions.

Because the title of the proposed ordinance says it would permit the Police Department to immobilize and impound vehicles with four or more outstanding infractions, the ordinance cannot be amended to raise the threshold to six outstanding infractions.

In approving this green sheet and rejecting the proposed ordinance, it is the Council's intent to introduce and pass a new ordinance that is substantially the same, except that the scofflaw threshold will be six outstanding infractions.

The new ordinance also will differ from the proposed ordinance as follows:

Page 1, lines 15-17:

WHEREAS, although the great majority of those receiving parking citations respond appropriately, some vehicles are repeatedly ticketed for parking violations (~~(and)~~) that are then not paid, thereby, negatively impacting traffic flow, access to curbspace, and parking turnover; and

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Page 3, lines 1-3:

D. When a time payment plan is created, the subject vehicle shall be temporarily removed from the scofflaw list and the payment amounts shall be applied on a pro rata basis until all penalties, fines or fees owed relating to all parking citations are satisfied.

Page 3, lines 17-18:

B. Any vehicle that remains booted for 48 hours or more, not including any of the 48 hours from the beginning of Saturday until the end of Sunday, or which becomes illegally parked while booted, shall be subject to towing and impoundment pursuant to Section 11.30.040.

Page 5, lines 24-25:

I. A person who fails to return the booting device within the time frame required by subsection F of this section may be ~~((prosecuted for the crime of theft under section 12A.08.060))~~ charged a late fee as determined by the Director of Finance and Administrative Services.

Page 6, lines 1-2:

J. A person who intentionally damages the booting device may be charged a replacement fee as determined by the Director of Finance and Administrative Services and also may be prosecuted for the crime of property destruction under section 12A.08.020.

K. The Director of Finance and Administrative Services shall adopt rules governing the imposition of fees under this Section 11.35.020.